

INFORMATION PAPER

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SUBJECT: FAO In-Country Training Program – Hungary

1. PURPOSE: To provide a summary of the FAO In-Country Training program and facilities in Hungary to assist in selection and arrival of replacement personnel. Projected in-country trainees should use the information provided to contact incumbent FAO trainees and/or FAO supervisor as early as possible for more detailed information.

2. FACTS:

a. Summary of Program:

(1) Tour Length: 12 months

(2) Normal Arrival/Departure Dates: Late June / Early July to July of the following year.

(3) Program Description: Normally, one FAO conducts ICT per year. The program is flexible to meet specific goals of each officer commensurate with background. Generally, the ICT program consists of: (a) language training at the Zrinyi Miklos Military Academy, (b) attendance for 12-15 weeks of the two-year CAS3/CGSC Course at the Zrinyi Miklos National Defense University, (c) orientation tours with Hungarian military units, with the possibility to "affiliate" with a unit of the officer's branch, (d) participation in regional and international academic seminars, (e) nationwide and regional travel.

(4) Prerequisites: CPT/MAJ; Hungarian 2+/2+/2+; branch immaterial; no gender restrictions.

b. Property:

(1) Government: FAO vehicle: Jeep Cherokee. WANG PC 280 and Epson LQ1000 printer.

(2) Personal:

(a) Recommend incoming FAOs ship POV through Bremerhaven.
(b) Bring your own computer if you have one. You can use the unclassified computer in DAO, but it is not always available.

c. Housing: FAO does not receive OHA. Housing is provided through contract with the embassy and funded by DCSOPS.

d. Support Facilities:

(1) Medical: Embassy has a nurse on site. Nearest U.S. doctor is Vienna Embassy. Local Hungarian doctors can also be used. There is a new “American Clinic” in Budapest with US-trained doctors and personnel and US standards. European TRICARE is the standard insurance and can be used in Budapest at several locations.

(2) Dependent Schooling: DOD pays for dependent's attendance at the American International School of Budapest, grades 1-12. Local preschool and kindergarten cost approximately \$15 per month. There is on about two blocks from the FAO house. Many of the children are from diplomatic families, so the quality is good, and children can learn Hungarian.

(3) PX/Commissary: AMEMB operates a commissary. Prices are generally 20-50% higher than military PX/Commissary and selection is extremely limited. Nearest military PX/Commissary is Hohenfels, Germany.

e. Language Instruction Availability: Tutoring available at the embassy for FAOs and spouses. The Zrinyi Miklos Military Academy, offers classes for FAOs and, with prior coordination, for spouses. There are also local tutors for hire.

f. Incumbent/programmed FAOs/Departure Dates:

Lilly, Douglas	AV, 85	9907-0007
McDonough, James	IN, 92	0007-0107
Mitchell, Bradley	IN, 90	0107-0207
Stalder, Gerald	AV, 92	0207-0307

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3. Additional Information: Bring materials from OAC/CAS3/CGSC. Pack 1-2 sets of BDU in accompanied baggage, as well as Class A, Class B (uniform for attendance at military academy), and Dress or Mess Blues. FAO orders should specify civilian clothing allowance. FAOs with infants should pre-mail packages of formula/diapers, etc.

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